

Gladwin County Board of Commissioners COW Minutes, August 10, 2021

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for the Committee of the Whole Meeting, on August 10, 2021. Chairperson Karen Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All commissioners were present.

Public Comment

_ Commissioner Moore noted additions to the agenda under Public Safety - fence around boiler vent pipe, and under Finance – Signature loan information.

Reminded residents that public comment is five minutes and not Q & A.

_Joel Vernier, council on local government meeting was discussed and an invitation to the next meeting was given. A "Restoring the Lakes" article in the paper was given to the Commissioners. Another restorethelakes.org event has been conducted. Tim Mester joined Joel in support of an escrow account for the Point of Sale in Secord and Billings Townships. Clarification on the escrow purpose was discussed.

_ Jeff Sorenson dropped of letters for the Commissioners in support of restoring our lakes. Shared the communities desire to assist the county in solving the challenges we face in restoring our lakes and their appreciation for the commissioners work on this matter.

No other comments

City Administrator Report

County Affairs

County Facilities and Transportation-

Data

511 Council

Gladwin Parks and Recreation

Insurance

BCBSM Group Enrollment for Gladwin County Inmates – Chairperson Moore re-presented an item
previously approved for signature by the Interim administrator, to be approved for signature by the
board chair because it had not been signed prior to the departure of the interim administrator.

Memorial Restoration

MERS

 75th Retirement Conference – Chairperson Moore presented the conference to the board for consideration of sending at least one person to this conference. Gladwin County is a voting member and should have representation at this conference.

Public Safety

Chain Link Fence around the Boiler Vent Pipe – Commissioner R. Grove discussed the need for safety
around this area and the cost of having a fence installed. Funds are available for this project from
previous rebates issued to the county.

Personnel

- 1. MI Sheriff's Association 2021 Fall Conference, attendance for Matthew McGourty
- 2. MI Sheriff's Association 2021 Fall Conference, attendance for Susan Walker
 - Both employees had these fees paid for in a previous year, but conferences were cancelled.

Finance

- 1. Live Scan Matthew McGourty is requesting the purchase of a new live scan machine for fingerprinting services at the Sheriff's office. Undersheriff Hartwell shared the age and lack of quality of the current equipment. Grant opportunities for the cost of a new live scan (MMRMA and USDA safety grants) were discussed. Machine status could fail at any time and is necessary. A 50% / \$4000 maximum reimbursement grant is available if applied for through MMRMA and is fully anticipated to be approved.
- 2. Signature Bank loan, Treasurer VanTiem shared that the bank has presented an adjustment of our payments after receiving the lump sum payment dated 08/24/2021. Semi-annual payments of \$100,000, final payment being \$98,539.18. The total savings to the county will be \$82,323.35.

Report from Civil Attorney -

The new Administrator starts on Monday. Attorney Hoerauf has started the onboarding process.

Attorney Hoerauf presented a resource to the Commissioners on Roberts Rules of Order, as well as an In Brief for the Administrator and Chairperson Moore.

Attorney Hoerauf will work with Treasurer VanTiem on a procedure for the Point-of-Sale Escrow of Billings and Secord Townships, if approved by the Board. Discussion was had on what that procedure may / may not look like.

Non-command negotiation discussions have been productive. The new Administrator will join in the negotiations.

Will be having a second meeting with the deputy's unit this afternoon resulting from the closed session at the last meeting.

Resolution on the FLTF Performance Resolution was denied by MDOT. A revision was made and presented to the board clarifying the County as the responsible party, and the County Clerk as the authorized signer.

No additional discussion.

Meeting closed at 9:50 a.m.

Karrie Hulme, County Clerk

Karen Moore, Chairperson